

TELLS OF GREAT CHARITY WORK

Annual Reports Show What Association Is Doing for Poor of City.

FULL RECORDS ON FILE

Books Show Many Pathetic Instances of Individual Aid Extended.

During the entire history of the Associated Charities in Richmond, there has been no actual death from freezing, and no case of object suffering that has not been relieved, according to the annual report of President Robert Lecky, made public yesterday. The accompanying report of Superintendent James Buchanan shows in detail what has been done for the relief of suffering, and in placing indigent families on a self-supporting basis during the past year.

As compared with the preceding year, the report indicates a great decrease in the demands on the association for all classes of relief. Dr. Buchanan said yesterday that, while part of this was due to the constructive work in the past, yet the greater factor had been the economic conditions—the mild, open winter, coupled with the fact that there was at all times an abundance of work for all who would accept it. Prospects are for more severe weather conditions during the coming winter. With less building operations, and a tightening up in other lines, employment becomes a survival of the fittest, and it would not surprise the charities officials if the winter does not develop a much greater demand from those unable to take care of themselves.

Accounts Accurately Kept.
The reports of Secretary Buchanan are models of penmanship, accuracy and completeness. The financial books have been examined with the following results:

To the President and Board of Managers of the Associated Charities of Richmond: We have examined the books of our superintendent, Dr. James Buchanan, for the fiscal year, 1912-1913, and find them accurately and properly kept, and the receipts and disbursements appear to be correct. The books are neat and the system is approved by us.

Respectfully submitted,
J. H. BOWMAN,
"J. H. STRAUSS,"
Leaving out the various allied agencies, the accounts of which do not pass through the books of the Associated Charities, that organization divides its work into three general departments: relieving the poor, for furnishing

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groceries to those actually in need of food, the provident fund, for relief of special cases of distress, and the maintenance of the institution, including the men's home.

Hundreds Helped in Adjunct Associations.

Treasurer C. C. Chapin reports payments on these funds during the year as follows: Provident fund, \$1,662.98; house account, \$2,265.34; relief fund, \$2,128.29; total, \$6,056.61. In addition, the books show that about 160 families, unable to support themselves for various reasons, have been assigned to churches, lodges or other charitable associations, and are being cared for without duplication, but without having the funds go through the books of the Associated Charities. The Jews take care of all of their own indigent, and the Catholics provide for many families. Practically all of the well-to-do churches care for their own poor, while some of the churches located in poorer sections obtain the assistance of the association in caring for those they are unable to provide for.

The City Mission, an adjunct of the Associated Charities under the leadership of Mrs. Charles E. Bolling, maintaining a most effective working organization, having volunteer workers assigned to each of twenty-six districts in the city. The committees in each of these districts are in close touch with each local case of distress of

that comes up, and can advise as to the form of relief. They disburse the fuel and shoes provided by the city through the City Home, and while working closely with the Associated Charities, the total of their expenditures does not pass through its hands, nor do the funds of the fee Mission, another branch of the charity organization, of which a full report has already been printed.

House Expenditures.

In the report of the house expenditures, Dr. Buchanan shows that, during the year ending November 1, he has had applications at the Associated Charities for general help from 2,491 people, and for shelter from 1,189. Beds have been provided for all of these as follows: Men's department, 3,095; women's department, 285; children's department, 816. Meals have been provided at headquarters, at the Ballard House, as follows: Men's department, 9,152; women's department, 758; children's department, 2,139, total, 12,049. These figures do not include the Juvenile Detention Home, formerly conducted by the Associated Charities and now taken over by the city of Richmond, although still operated in rooms furnished to the city free of rent by the Associated Charities. The association also furnished to the city free of rent rooms for a tuberculosis dispensary at the Ballard House.

The Provident Fund.
Probably the most interesting part of the report is the detailed statement

of expenditures of the provident fund. Every item is accounted for in detail, and there is a pathetic story in every one. A brace for a deformed child; rent paid for a laborer who had crushed his foot, railroad fare furnished to a widow, with children, to return to her own people—these are the sort of items for which the provident fund is intended. It is done without publicity, but each case is carefully investigated and the peculiar kind of aid needed is provided. A full history of each case is kept, with vouchers for all expenditures. These items tell of the woman whose husband has left her, who needs a decent dress in which to apply for work. They tell also of a widow left destitute with five children. The old lady would have been put out with five children in an orphan asylum at a cost to the community of \$125 per year for each child, and turn the mother loose to scuffle as best she could. Aid from the provident fund, far less in amount than the \$125 a year needed to keep the children in an asylum, has kept the home together, and with the aid of the older children, it will soon be self-supporting.

Relief Department.
In the relief department constructive charity has been exercised in 622 families, which have had more or less relief during the year. "No matter what may have caused the pauperism," said Dr. Buchanan, "it is the sphere of the Associated Charities to reconstruct and place the family on a self-supporting basis."

The cases aided during the year are analyzed in the following comparative statement of relief cases for 1912 and 1913:

	1912	1913
Indigent	116	69
Sickness	199	126
Widows with small children	39	31
Insolvency	62	40
Indolence	22	18
Out of work	77	23
Immoral	26	18
Insufficient income	13	22
Impoverished	15	11
Assisted	89	127
Drunk	84	84
Transportation	89	127
Colored cases	39	39
Total	712	622

In summing up the work of the year, President Lecky calls attention to the fact that last year was not a rigorous one, and that the demands were not as great as in other seasons, when the conditions surrounding the poor were less favorable.

For Greater Co-Operation.

"The purpose of the Associated Charities," Mr. Lecky says, "was stated at the time of its organization was to co-ordinate the efforts of all social and charitable agencies in the city to the extent, at least, of making one another familiar with the work in its entirety."

"Unfortunately from year to year there has been more of a tendency to isolate the work prosecuted by the independent organizations, and I feel that the greatest service that can be performed for the present good of social workers in this city is to return to our old custom, and that is to ask each of the leading organizations to designate one of their number as a member of our directorate."

"I feel that it is agreed that knowledge of social work, either on the part of individuals or organizations, results in untold benefits to the objects of our care by intelligent action, and reduces the possibility of the evils of overlapping an imposition, and what is best of all, preserves the manhood of those who may be temporarily in need of assistance, rather than to sow the seed of pauperism by an unwise and sporadic effort in the field of philanthropy. Therefore, suggest that your board invite a representative of each of these various organizations to a ministerial union of the city, making it known that our association is doing this particular work through the benefits of a real associated charity."

"I wish to commend the intelligent and self-sacrifice displayed by the officers and members of the Associated Charities, and to assure them of the appreciation on behalf of all of our contributors."

WOMAN TAKES \$750 FOR DEATH OF SON

Railroad Claim Agent Ordered to Explain Transaction to Federal Judge.

Chicago, November 22.—J. J. Choate, of Mobile, Ala., claim agent for the Mobile and Ohio Railroad, yesterday was ordered to be in Chicago on Monday to explain to Federal Judge K. M. Landis how he induced Mrs. Mary Panek, a widow, to accept \$750 for the death of her son, Edward, a United States soldier.

Panek, with others, lost his life in a wreck near Buckatuna, Miss., October 16. Mrs. Panek sued the railroad for \$10,000, and when the suit was called, Mrs. Panek notified the court she had settled with the claim agent.

"I got \$750," she said. "At first the agent offered \$400, and gradually raised until I thought that if I didn't take \$750, I would not get that."

"Seven hundred and fifty dollars for a United States soldier," remarked Judge Landis. "I would like to know how the claim agent persuaded this woman to accept \$750 for the life of her son. Chester must be here Monday."

Attorney Jeffrey said, in defense of the settlement, that the mother had told him the son never had been any support to her, and that when the road offered \$750, she was glad to accept it, in lieu of a long course of litigation.

WHISKEY DEALERS ENCOURAGED.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Bristol, Va., November 22.—Whiskey dealers in Bristol are encouraged that Judge John Allison, of Nashville, has declared the new law limiting whiskey shipments into Tennessee to one gallon to each person unconstitutional. They express confidence that the State Supreme Court will sustain this view. Only one shipment made since the law became effective exceeded one gallon, and each package has been labelled with personal use only.

A local distiller, with an interstate shipping license, this week sent a carload of corn whiskey to a firm in Knoxville, Tenn., it being represented that the carload was to be resold for delivery within Tennessee. This phoney train near Suffolk today, the man's brains were scattered for yards along the tracks. Inside the coat pocket of the dead man, who was lying or sitting on the tracks, was found a tag with the name and address of H. C. Harrell, Philadelphia. He carried a number of samples of jewelry and silverware.

The body was picked up and carried to Wharf Station for preparation for shipment to relatives.

MAN MANGLED BY TRAIN.

H. C. Harrell, Traveling Salesman, Killed in Horrible Manner Near Suffolk.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Suffolk, Va., November 22.—H. C. Harrell, young and well-dressed, supposed to be a traveling salesman of Philadelphia, was struck and killed by the north-bound Atlantic Coast Line train near Suffolk today. The man's brains were scattered for yards along the tracks. Inside the coat pocket of the dead man, who was lying or sitting on the tracks, was found a tag with the name and address of H. C. Harrell, Philadelphia. He carried a number of samples of jewelry and silverware.

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GIVE PRIZES AT ROTARY DINNER

Favors Worth \$2,500 Will Be Distributed to Guests on "Ladies' Night."

The Richmond Rotary Club, the newest live wire among the city's commercial organizations, will make its banquet on Tuesday night in Murphy's Hotel an affair that will linger in the minds of the guests. Officially it is to be "Ladies' Night." Unofficially, it is to be a "Ladies' Night" in the sense of the word "Ladies' Night" as it is used in the city of Richmond. The Rotary Club, which is made up of one man from each line of business in the city, is unique in its organization. The first applicant from a certain kind of trade remains the only representative of that trade in the club until his resignation. Competitors cannot find membership; each member stands alone in the club as the representative of his business.

Favors Without Number.
In honor of the occasion, each of the 150 members of the club will bring as his guest a member of the "Ladies' Night" on Tuesday night. The guests of the club alone will be eligible for the prizes, and the plan of distribution has been so arranged that no one can leave the hall without some favor. To each



In The Cohen Co. ad. appearing in the Saturday afternoon papers 2,500 pieces of Gold Top Jewelry were advertised as being on sale Monday for 50c each. This was an error. The price should have been, each, FIFTY CENTS.

Woman at the banquet the following favors, given by members of the club, will be presented: A gold Rotary Club pin, an electric flash light, a picture, a bottle of toilet water, a set of four two theatre tickets, a paper cutter, a can of baking powder, a box of candy, a bottle of flavoring extract and a dozen others.

The feature of the dinner will be the drawing of lots for the special prizes. Only the guests can participate in the drawing and when one has picked the lucky number she must withdraw from the contest. Among the premiums offered were: A trip to Bermuda, a silver vanity case, an electric coffee pot, ten 35 gold pieces, ten Victrolas, a roller tray trunk, an inlaid fountain pen, a lady's coat and pattern, a ten of spades and the like.

There will be two people at the dinner. The entertainment committee has given Colonel Murphy, captain of the club, the matter of the menu, and has provided a series of amusement features certain to add to the pleasure of the evening. Dinner will be served promptly at 7:30 o'clock, and President J. G. Corley will preside.

NO NEW YEAR'S RECEPTION

President Will Spend Vacation in South During recess of Congress. There will be no New Year's reception at the White House, President Wilson said yesterday, and during the holiday recess of Congress he would take a ten-day vacation in the South.

The New Year's reception is one of the established traditions of the White House. No invitations were made by White House officials as to what the President should do for celebrating New Year's Day of his administration, but it is known that Mr. Wilson is opposed to the traditional ordeal of shaking hands with thousands.

The President will go South to some quiet place where he can play golf and enjoy the seclusion and privacy of which he is so fond when on a vacation.

Numerous invitations have been received for the President to go to places in North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia. He has accepted none thus far.

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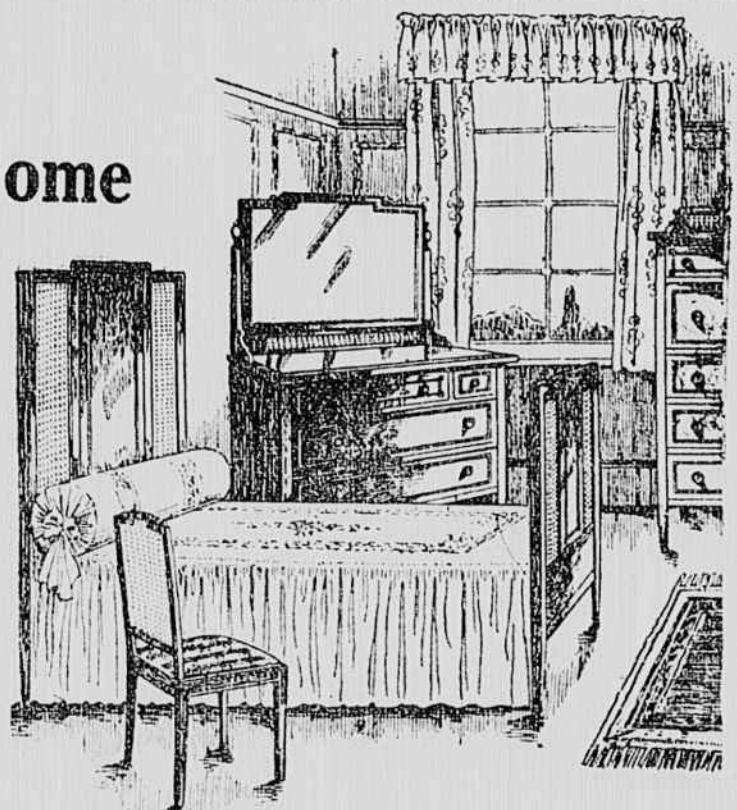
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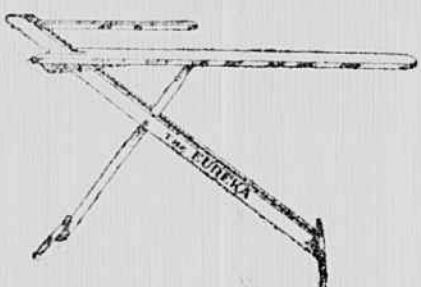
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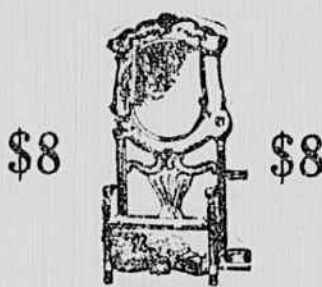


\$10.00 Dinner Sets, \$8.95

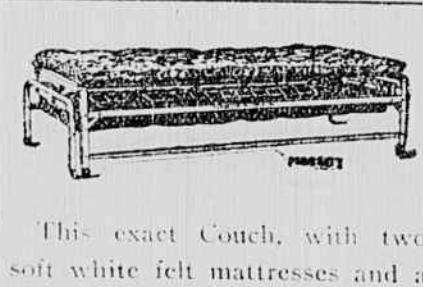
Possibly many pieces of your old set are missing or broken, and you have neglected to replace them. For your Thanksgiving dinner, which is only a few days off, you should have one of our complete sets to make your table attractive and inviting. We are offering this special value of \$8.95 for 100 pieces for \$8.95.



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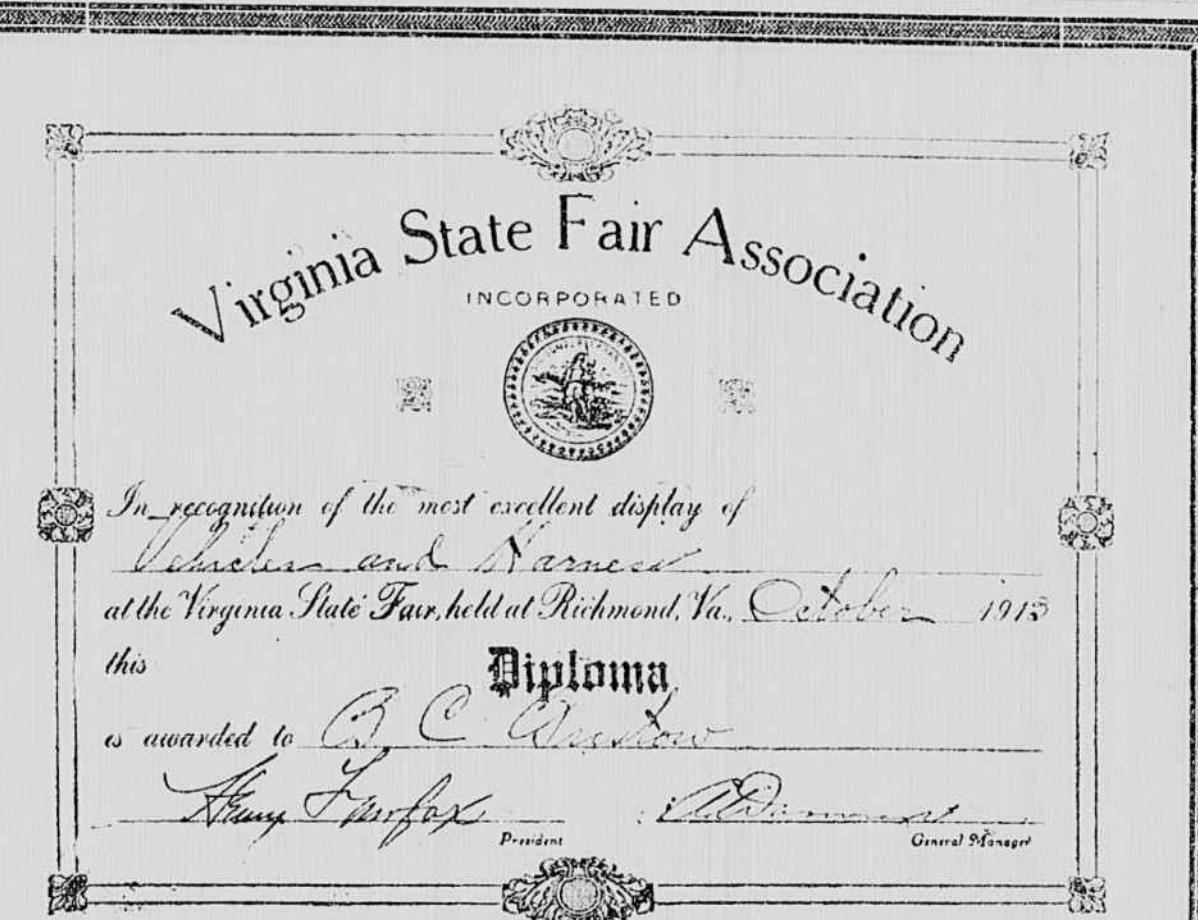


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